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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 12, 1996 (Paper No. 31), entry and consideration of the following amendment and remarks are respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.

(Amended) The isolated DNA sequence encoding mammalian GDF-1 protein having the amino acid sequence of Figure 2 or Figure 11A or Figure 11B [or Figure 3].

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are requested.

The amendments to the claims find support throughout the originally filed disclosure and, thus, do not introduce new